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Observations.

GÖTTINGEN. Meridian. (Professor Gauss.)

1847.	Göttingen M. T.	R. A.	N. P. D.
	^h ^m ^s	[°] ' "	[°] ' "
Dec. 10	11 11 4	66 47 26.2	75 37 9.9
11	6 7	32 5.4	34 17.4
12	11 1 11	66 16 59.8	75 31 20.0

HAMBURG. Meridian Circle. (M. Rümker.)

1847.	Hamburg M. T.	R. A.	N. P. D.
	^h ^m ^s	[°] ' "	[°] ' "
Nov. 16	13 10 50.1	73 9 28.4	76 13 18.3
17	5 59.2	72 55 41.3	12 52.9
18	13 1 6.8	72 41 31.8	12 27.1
21	12 46 21.7	71 57 3.8	10 33.8
22	41 23.1	41 37.4	9 45.8
24	31 26.3	71 10 1.4	7 47.8
27	16 23.5	70 21 8.0	4 7.9
28	12 11 21.4	70 4 31.0	76 2 41.9
Dec. 1	11 56 13.8	69 14 26.4	75 57 46.7
4	41 6.4	68 24 22.2	51 53.7
7	26 2.0	67 35 4.1	44 59.0
8	11 21 1.7	67 18 56.3	42 29.9
18	10 32 4.3	64 53 57.4	11 15.6
19	27 18.8	41 31.5	7 35.0
20	10 22 35.6	64 29 38.4	75 3 45.7

HAMBURG. With the Equatoreal and Micrometer. (M. Rümker.)

1847.	h	m	s	°	'	"	°	'	"
Nov. 21	9	1	7.8	71	59	35.1	76	10	38.2
25	8	21	7.5	70	55	46.4	76	6	55.6
Dec. 4	9	14	4.4	68	26	6.6	75	52	7.6
6	15	5	29.1	67	50	10.7	75	47	13.5
17	7	43	15.4	65	8	31.6	75	15	23.2

WASHINGTON. (Lieut. M. F. Maury, U.S.N.)

Washington M.T.			R.A.			N.P.D.			No. of Obs.		Instrum.	Star of Comp.
1847.	h	m	s	h	m	s	°	'	R.A.	N.P.D.		
Nov. 29	12	5	11	4	39	5.64	76	0	46.1	2	1	*Mer. C.
						5.51				1		W. Tran.
Dec. 3	11	44	55	34	27	7.0	75	53	25.2	1	1	Mur. C. <i>a</i> in R.A.
	13	25	15			22.37		19.2		18	6	Equat. <i>a</i>
4	6	54	30	33	35	1.6				8		Equat. <i>b</i>
	6	46	40				75	51	45.2		2	— <i>b</i>
6	8	0	23	31	19	4.4	75	47	8.2	12	5	— <i>b</i> and <i>c</i>
	11	29	50	31	9	5.1				7		W. Tran.
						9.83	75	46	48.9	7	1	Mer. C.
						48.8				1		Mur. C.
7	11	24	49	30	4	3.5	75	44	21.1	7	1	Mer. C.
						4.48				5		W. Tran.
							75	44	23.5		1	Mur. C.
8	11	19	49	4	29	0.20				5		W. Tran.
						0.38	75	41	51.1	7	1	Mer. C.
							56.0			1		Mur. C.

The observations are corrected for refraction only.

Mean Places of the Stars of Comparison, 1847.0 :—

	R.A.			N.P.D.			R.A.	Authorities.	Decl.
	h	m	s	°	'	"			
<i>a</i>	4	33	25.76	75	58	18.7	Rümker, 1256.	Washington Obs.	
<i>b</i>		37	54.23		45	8.7	Bessel, iv. 824, H.C. p. 203.	—	
<i>c</i>	4	36	4.45	75	39	44.5	Rümker, 1265.	—	

* The names of the observers, though given by Lieut. Maury, are omitted here from want of space: there can be no doubt of their skill or fidelity. The wealth of the Observatory in instruments is rather perplexing: a large Equatoreal, a Transit, distinguished by its locality as West, a Meridian Circle, and a Mural Circle, have all been employed.

Elements. By Mr. Graham, of the Observatory, Markree.

Epoch 1848, Jan. 1^o, Greenwich Mean Time.

Mean Anomaly	35	33	0 ^o 27 ["]	
π	33	26	55 ^o 31 ["]	} Mean Eq. 1848 ^o
Ω	110	13	26 ^o 98 ["]	
i	5	53	57 ^o 12 ["]	
ϕ	8	55	59 ^o 11 ["]	
$\mu = 1085''\cdot8205$ $\text{Log } a = 0\cdot3428324$.				

These elements are deduced from the South Villa Observations of October 18, and from the following Markree places:—

Greenwich M.T. 1847.	R.A. ° ' "	N.P.D. ° ' "
Nov. 17 ^h 56 ^m 13 ^s 0	72 55 2 ^o 10	76 12 51 ^o 0
Dec. 18 ^h 46 ^m 24 ^s 7	64 53 21 ^o 15	75 11 6 ^o 8

For the middle place:—

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Calcd—Obsd.} \\ &\text{Longitude} = +1^{\circ}3' \\ &\text{Latitude} = -0^{\circ}2' \end{aligned}$$

Ephemeris. For Greenwich Mean Midnight.

By Mr. Hind, from his *Third Elements*.

1848.	R.A. h m s	N.P.D. ° ' "	1848.	R.A. h m s	N.P.D. ° ' "
Feb. 1	4 18 36 ^h 97 ^m	71 9 30 ^o 0	Feb. 22	4 40 55 ^h 48 ^m	69 2 38 ^o 6
2	19 24 ^h 64 ^m	71 3 15 ^o 5	23	42 14 ^h 67 ^m	68 56 59 ^o 4
3	20 14 ^h 11 ^m	70 57 1 ^o 4	24	43 35 ^h 06 ^m	51 23 ^o 3
4	21 5 ^h 35 ^m	50 47 ^o 9	25	44 56 ^h 64 ^m	45 50 ^o 3
5	21 58 ^h 33 ^m	44 35 ^o 0	26	46 19 ^h 38 ^m	40 20 ^o 6
6	22 53 ^h 01 ^m	38 23 ^o 0	27	47 43 ^h 27 ^m	34 54 ^o 2
7	23 49 ^h 38 ^m	32 12 ^o 0	28	49 8 ^h 28 ^m	29 31 ^o 3
8	24 47 ^h 39 ^m	26 1 ^o 8	29	50 34 ^h 40 ^m	24 12 ^o 1
9	25 47 ^h 01 ^m	19 52 ^o 7	March 1	52 1 ^h 61 ^m	18 56 ^o 6
10	26 48 ^h 21 ^m	13 44 ^o 8	2	53 29 ^h 88 ^m	13 44 ^o 9
11	27 50 ^h 96 ^m	7 38 ^o 3	3	54 59 ^h 20 ^m	8 37 ^o 1
12	28 55 ^h 23 ^m	70 1 33 ^o 3	4	56 29 ^h 56 ^m	68 3 33 ^o 4
13	30 1 ^h 01 ^m	69 55 30 ^o 0	5	58 0 ^h 93 ^m	67 58 33 ^o 8
14	31 8 ^h 25 ^m	49 28 ^o 5	6	4 59 33 ^h 28 ^m	53 38 ^o 4
15	32 16 ^h 93 ^m	43 29 ^o 0	7	5 1 6 ^h 60 ^m	48 47 ^o 3
16	33 27 ^h 02 ^m	37 31 ^o 6	8	2 40 ^h 86 ^m	44 0 ^o 7
17	34 38 ^h 48 ^m	31 36 ^o 4	9	4 16 ^h 04 ^m	39 18 ^o 6
18	35 51 ^h 28 ^m	25 43 ^o 6	10	5 52 ^h 11 ^m	34 41 ^o 0
19	37 5 ^h 40 ^m	19 53 ^o 3	11	7 29 ^h 06 ^m	30 8 ^o 1
20	38 20 ^h 83 ^m	14 5 ^o 6	12	9 6 ^h 88 ^m	25 39 ^o 9
21	4 39 37 ^h 53 ^m	69 8 20 ^o 7	13	5 10 45 ^h 54 ^m	67 21 16 ^o 6

1848.		R.A.			N.P.D.			1848.		R.A.			N.P.D.		
		h	m	s	°	'	"			h	m	s	°	'	"
Mar.	14	5	12	25.02	67	16	58.3	April	8	5	57	30.21	65	59	29.3
	15		14	5.31		12	45.0		9	5	59	25.48		57	42.2
	16		15	46.37		8	36.9		10	6	1	21.18		56	1.6
	17		17	28.18		4	33.9		11		3	17.28		54	27.5
	18		19	10.74	67	0	36.2		12		5	13.76		52	59.9
	19		20	54.02	66	56	43.8		13		7	10.63		51	38.8
	20		22	38.01		52	56.8		14		9	7.84		50	24.3
	21		24	22.69		49	15.3		15		11	5.40		49	16.5
	22		26	8.05		45	39.3		16		13	3.31		48	15.3
	23		27	54.08		42	8.9		17		15	1.53		47	20.7
	24		29	40.76		38	44.2		18		17	0.05		46	32.8
	25		31	28.08		35	25.2		19		18	58.86		45	51.6
	26		33	16.02		32	12.0		20		20	57.97		45	17.0
	27		35	4.58		29	4.6		21		22	57.38		44	49.2
	28		36	53.74		26	3.1		22		24	57.08		44	28.1
	29		38	43.48		23	7.5		23		26	57.05		44	13.7
	30		40	33.80		20	17.9		24		28	57.28		44	6.1
	31		42	24.67		17	34.3		25		30	57.75		44	5.2
April	1		44	16.10		14	56.9		26		32	58.45		44	11.1
	2		46	8.07		12	25.6		27		34	59.38		44	23.9
	3		48	0.56		10	0.5		28		37	0.53		44	43.5
	4		49	53.56		7	41.6		29		39	1.90		45	9.9
	5		51	47.04		5	29.0		30		41	3.49		45	43.2
	6		53	40.98		3	22.7	May	1	6	43	5.27	65	46	23.3
	7	5	55	35.37	66	1	22.8								

This ephemeris gives the places of the planet reckoned from the *true* equinox of date: the aberration has not been applied. By adding the correction due to aberration from the annexed table to the values of the ephemeris, the *apparent* places of the planet will be obtained.

1848.	Corr. for Aberr.		497.8		Hor. Par.	1848.	Corr. for Aberr.		497.8		Hor. Par.
	R.A.	N.P.D.	× Δ	Δ			R.A.	N.P.D.	× Δ	Δ	
Feb. 1	—0.37	—3.0	11	26.3	6.23	Mar. 20	—1.19	—2.6	16	27.0	4.33
5	0.44	3.1	11	49.6	6.02	24	1.25	2.4	16	52.7	4.22
9	0.51	3.1	12	13.5	5.82	28	1.32	2.1	17	18.2	4.11
13	0.58	3.2	12	37.9	5.63	April 1	1.37	1.9	17	43.7	4.01
17	0.65	3.2	13	2.6	5.46	5	1.43	1.6	18	9.0	3.92
21	0.72	3.2	13	27.6	5.29	9	1.49	1.3	18	34.0	3.83
25	0.79	3.2	13	52.9	5.13	13	1.54	1.0	18	58.8	3.75
29	0.86	3.1	14	18.4	4.98	17	1.60	0.7	19	23.3	3.67
Mar. 4	0.93	3.1	14	44.0	4.83	21	1.65	—0.3	19	47.6	3.60
8	1.00	3.0	15	9.7	4.69	25	1.69	0.0	20	11.5	3.53
12	1.06	2.9	15	35.5	4.56	29	—1.74	+0.4	20	35.1	3.46
16	—1.13	—2.7	16	1.3	4.44						